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Student Government fights and wins

Representatives fight for students in Juneau

by Student Government President Dave Huycke

Here's how some of your student activity fees were recently spent: SAVING MONEY!!! As you might have heard, several of your MSC Student Government representatives traveled to Juneau to testify against the proposed tuition increase for fiscal year '97. Legislative Affairs Representative Grace Wilson-Laudun and I spoke before the Board of Regents (BOR), the committee who oversees all University of Alaska procedures statewide. The BOR wanted a 5% increase; Wilson-Laudun and I asked for a tuition freeze on behalf of the students. Listed are the stragies and statistics that were presented to support a freeze:

*Research statitstics show that statewide University of Alaska enrollment is down; not just for last year, due to the elimination of the tuition cap, but also for the last FIVE years.

*Perhaps these statistics reflect that U of A has lost its "good sale" image.

*Since local entry level students are turning to outside colleges at an increasing rate, U of A needs to improve its capture rate to address both short and long term economic gain: short term - losing dollars to outside colleges, long term - upon graduation those students tend to enter the job market near their perspective college.

*There are many colleges in the "lower 48" that are actually DECREASING tuition rates to attract more enrollment.

*After seven consecutive years of tuition increase at U of A, totalling a 126% rise, a different message needs to be sent to the customer.

*In the haste to balance the U of A budget deficit, DO NOT lose sight of the customer - the STUDENTS.

Upon completion of this presentation, one regent asked me, "How do you propose filling these needs?" I replied "Let me ask you who has more money - the LEGISLATURE or students? Who has more money - the BOARD OF REGENTS

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The MSC Monitor has moved!!!

After some confusion, the MSC Monitor has moved to JKB 109, at the end of the small hall, behind the vending machines. (Barb Carney's old office) Come see our new office!

Kingry to leave UAA

University of Alaska Anchorage Vice Chancellor for Student Services Larry K. Kingry has advised chancellor Lee gorsuch of his intent to leave UAA effective in the summer of 1996.

In a letter to Chancellor Gorsuch, Dr. Kingry stated: "My twenty years of service to University of Alaska instititutions have seen extraordinary change with the opportunity to perform many diverse roles. My experiences span more career responsibilities than any could have asked for in higher education. As I look back on these experiences and my other education positions, I find I have enjoyed and valued the teaching aspect the most - whether in the formal classroom or from a leadership position."

Announcing the resignation, Chancellor Gorsuch cited Dr. Kingry's long association with UAA and ACC and said "Larry Kingry has been a positive force and a strong supporter of students throughout his time with the UA system."

"He provided the leadership that took Student Services through the difficult days of restructuring and he never lost sight of the importance of students to a university," said Gorsuch. "It is with regret that I announce his decision."

Editor's Corner...

Last month I received more feedback regarding the paper than any other issue. some of it was positive, some was not, and many people were just in shock. I believe this is a good sign, it means I finally got my feet wet. I had hoped to just stick my toes in, but, apparently, I jumped in up to my neck. I am referring to an opinion regarding a history teacher that was printed under Class News. I would like to clarify my reasons for doing so.

The person who wrote the opinion wished to remain anonymous to prevent themselves from any scholastic backlash. Although the article was written by one person, it was the opinion of many, and, therefore, I felt the need for those people to be heard.

The MSC Monitor will continued to be a forum for the students. I hope that everyone had a great spring break and Happy Saint Patrick's Day. Bring on the green!

...Amy Menerey

Assistant Editor...

So, was that a spring break for you?? I for one feel cheated by the school system that decided to have the children's spring break at the same time of the college. I did not accomplish the 50 things I had set out to have done by Monday for class. If I wasn't a single parent it would have been different. The other half could have taken care of the kid's needs and I could just lock myself in my room and do homework, sleep or whatever I felt like.

But I don't have that luxury at the moment. So, I have to face reality that I can't be supermom, superstudent and superwoman and just be thankful for the blessings I do have like: five healthy children, a place to live, the ability to attend college, the privilege to drive all of my family around everyday, good health, plenty of true friends, freedom from domestic violence, and the freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Life could always be worse.

...Shelia Keyser

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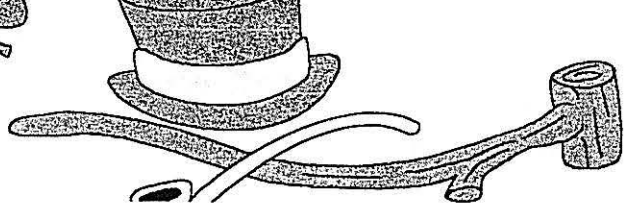
From the Desk of Joseph Emmons

Spring break is over, and it was an earthshaking experience. All right, it was only a 4.5 earthquake we had last Thursday, but that is a lot more than we had in Kansas. The semester is winding down. Many of you are going to be graduating this May; others still have a long road ahead.

What is coming up? Schedules for next fall semester and the summer session will be published and available in the first part of April. We will have a significantly expanded summer schedule, and I hope many of you can take advantage of it. We are beginning the process of planning for the commencement ceremonies in May, and will have information available as plans are finalized.

As the days get longer, and spring tempts us, it gets more difficult to stay focused. Good luck the remainder of the semester. Though spring is bearing down on us, don't forget those tests and assignments to be completed.



LaGuardia College Newspaper Wins Legal Case

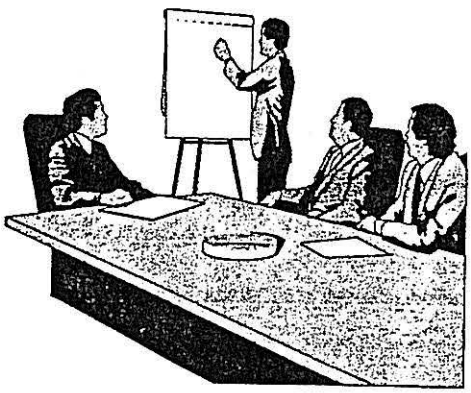
(NSNS) - The New York State Supreme Court ruled in favor of the LaGuardia Community College *Bridge* student newspaper Jan. 25, approving Editor Joseph N. Smith's claim that the state open meetings law does apply to bodies allocating student activity fees.

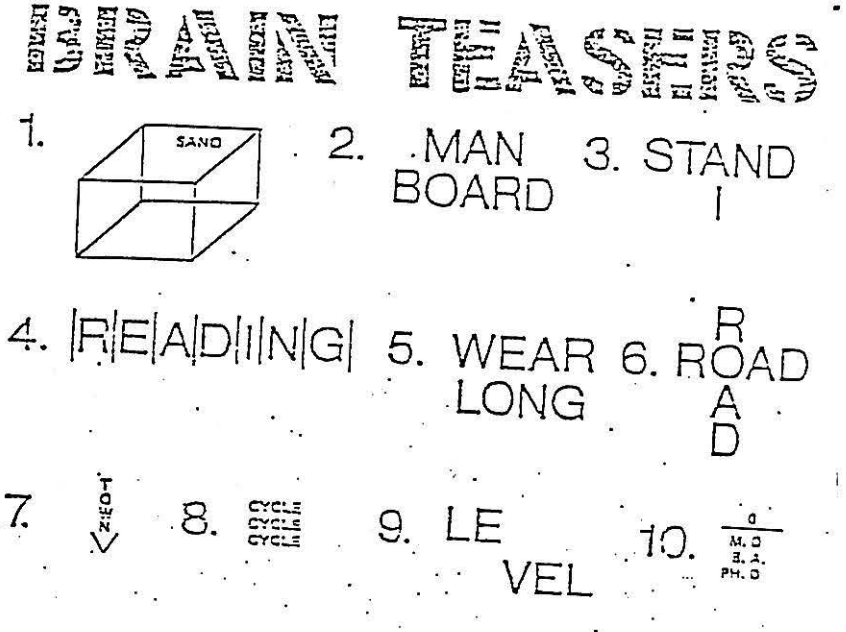
Smith and a broadcast journalist had brought a lawsuit against City University of New York after being locked out of a meeting of the LaGuardia Community College Association. Justice Karla Moskowitz ruled in favor of the paper, saying that meetings involving student fees must remain open.

"The Open Government laws are virtually the only legal protections students have over the allocation of their student activity fees," said Ronald McGuire, the attorney for *The Bridge*. "A victory for CUNY would (have stripped) students of any accountability over the allocation of their student activity fees."

Controversy began after administrators at LaGuardia College suspended *The Bridge* for publishing an anti-Semitic article, calling for sanctions against the paper and its editors. The article was condemned by former New York Mayor Edward Koch, the Anti-Defamation League and the *New York Post*.

The LaGuardia College Association voted to suspend publication of the newspaper. But even after the suspension was lifted, administrators and student editors continued to wrangle over editorial control of *The Bridge*.





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Regarding Disconfirmation

by Dancing Feather X

It's hiding there behind the mist, behind a grey mantle of crushed emotions. I brush aside clinging feelings, like wispy webs of fog, and push forward. Where has it gone? I search through this forest of obscurity - seek for the illusive cold here. No light - only grey forlornness and black despair.

Heaviness, like guilt, shadows my mind, inhibiting thought. Have I done this before? The pain is so consuming. I can feel the dark fire of panic lick at the edge of my awareness - waiting, biding its time, knowing my weakness intimately. Surely I have not done this before.

He is there, waiting, back turned in solemn mockery. Can he know? I reach out to breach the distance, but my limbs will not respond. I cry his name--but there is no sound. I have no right to call out; my voice is silent. I have done this before.

A thousand moments in one heartbeat; he turns, cold shadows in his eyes. Like a mirror reflecting the image of myself, there is no recognition. He walks toward me, passing me within an inch; coolness flowing from him like liquid drops of darkness off a swan's milky back. He walks into the grey, leaving me; he is as distant as a lost star. The gentleness I seek from him fades in the contemptuous curl of his lips. Have I done this before? Have I ever refused to confirm another drowning soul?

How dependent we are on each other's opinions. How delicate is the human frailness to be so broken and crushed by the mere withholding of recognition. I would never knowingly inflict the pain of disconfirmation on another.

The desolation experienced in the blank reflection of yourself in another's gaze is the cruelest form of torture or punishment ever invented; it has mutilated more souls than any hot word or angry glance. The ability to ignore another's existence is the ability to destroy another's self.

I am alone; how can I be when he says I am not? Not to know is worse than anything I've ever known. People, do not disconfirm each other; do not punish each other with alternate realities, for the reality of being alone is the reality of death. Truly, the opposite of love is not hate--hate is hot and directed--but icy, indifferent disconfirmation of existence. The truth of absence is much easier to understand than the absence of truth.

student government page

Happy St. Patrick's Day from Student Government

Meetings

The next Student Government meeting will be held March 15, at 4:00 p.m. in JKB 108. There are senator seats available at this time. You must attend three consecutive meetings to be eligible for senatorship. Senator positions are maintained through the semester months and into the Fall semester.

The Board of Elections will be meeting soon after spring break. Watch for time and date to be posted. This board needs volunteers to oversee the election process for new Student Government officials for the coming year.

The Graduation Committee will also be meeting soon after spring break. Volunteers will be needed to assist at graduation. Look for times and dates or contact Grace, Amy, or Bette Belanger.

Have you got ideas for the campus? For student activities? Contact Student Government, see what YOU can do!

Your Student Government WANTS YOU! Your input is needed to make us work for YOU! Stop by anytime to voice concerns, suggestions, etc. Meeting dates are posted regularly.

From Legislative Affairs

by Grace Wilson-Laudun

On February 15th and 16th I met with local and state legislators. I discussed major concerns such as Senate Bill 123, the Machetanz Building bridge, and education funding. I received great response from those I met with. I am hopeful we will see positive changes in the new academic year.

I also spoke before the Board of Regents regarding the tuition hikes and won a small victory. There was a scheduled 5 percent increase and through our efforts of petitions there was an across-the-board tuition of only 1-2 percent. Students DO have a voice.

If anyone would like any further details about what we accomplished, and can accomplish, contact me at Student Government. I'd like to hear from you!

***Fight,** continued from Front Page*

or students? Who has more money - the ADMINISTRATION or students?" To which the Regent replied, "Thank you", and immediately left the stand before any rebuttal could be made.

Afterwards, during a closed door executive session, a general consensus was reached which they soon voted to enact. The compromise yielded an approximate 1.5% tuition increase, equating to only $1.00 more per lower division credit and $2.00 more per upper division credit. This is the lowest increase for the last EIGHT years.

Feeling slightly more confident by these results, Vice President Paula Holley and I headed to the state capital. We attended a meeting with the House Finance University Subcommittee and spoke on behalf of Mat-Su College, requesting $575,000 for campus improvements. Here is what they said: "Some say that Alaska's best kept secret is Palmer. We believe the best kept secret is actually the Mat-Su College. With 960 acres available for expansion, Mat-Su has the potential to be the best campus of the future. This is a big jump. However, to achieve this goal, we need to take small steps." My response was, "The first step should be to address the bridge completion project. You have rain in Juneau, we have ice. Therefore, we would like to request $575,000 to complete the half-finished bridge and eliminate the safety issue of walking on ice." The representatives took notes and the results are still pending.

As witnessed in Juneau, the greasy wheel travels better. If YOU would like to help better the system, get involved and attend the next Student Govenrment meeting. Elections are coming soon. I will be graduating in December, Vice President Holley will be moving to Anchorage, and there are several senator seats open!!!

YOUR COLLEGE SUCCESS CAKE

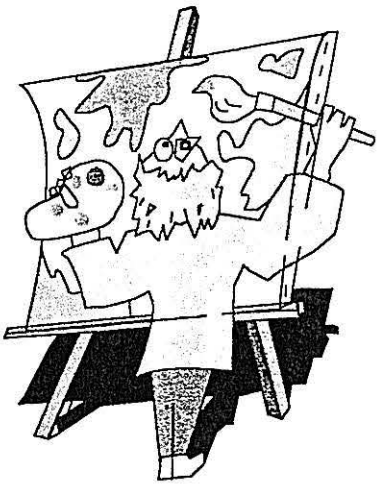
Design your own recipe for College Success Cake by checking a box for each of the nine characteristics of a college student that most closely fits a description of you:

1.	My favorite study area is	☐	Humanities	1⅓ c regular flour + ⅓ c whole wheat flour
		☐	Math/Science	1⅔ c regular flour
		☐	Technology	1½ c regular flour + ⅓ c oatmeal
2.	My best study time is	☐	Daytime	1 tsp baking soda
		☐	Evening	½ tsp baking soda
3.	My attitude toward going to college is	☐	It's fun	1 tsp vinegar
		☐	It's scary	1½ tsp vinegar
4.	My college grants and scholarships total	☐	0-$100	⅓ c vegetable oil
		☐	$101-$500	⅓ c vegetable oil
		☐	$500+	⅓ c vegetable oil
5.	I'm enrolled in	☐	0-6 hours	½ c packed brown sugar
		☐	7-13 hours	⅔ c packed brown sugar
		☐	13+ hours	⅔ c granulated sugar
6.	I travel ____ miles to college	☐	less than 10	1 tsp vanilla
		☐	11-20	1¼ tsp vanilla
		☐	21+	1½ tsp vanilla
7.	In addition to studying, I work	☐	0-10 hrs./wk.	½ c water + ½ c applesauce + 1 tsp Allspice
		☐	11-25 hrs./wk.	1 c water + ¼ c cocoa
		☐	25+ hrs./wk.	⅔ c milk + ½ c mashed bananas + 1 tsp cinnamon
8.	My age is	☐	younger than 30	⅛ tsp salt
		☐	older than 30	¼ tsp salt
9.	I am	☐	male	⅓ c raisins
		☐	female	⅓ c chopped nuts

Directions: In one bowl, mix all the ingredients together according to your answers to the above statements. Stir until completely mixed. Pour into greased 8 x 8 inch pan.

Bake for approximately 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. It is possible to make 1,296 combinations of this recipe.

ART ABOUT



VISUAL ARTS

GARRY KAVLITZ -- PAINTINGS MAR 16- APR 8, MSC

RICHARD BENSON -- PAINTINGS MAR 25- APR 11, UAA ART GALLERY, RECEPTION MAR 28 6:30PM-7:30PM, LECTURE 8PM

MSC ANNUAL JURIED STUDENT SHOW 2 ENTRIES PER CATEGORY (DRAWING, PAINTING, PHOTOGRAPHY, FIBER, CLAY, STAINED GLASS, METALS, OTHER) DUE BY NOON APRIL 8. SHOW APRIL 12- MAY 13

KAY MARSHALL -- PAINTINGS, MONTH OF MARCH, STONINGTON GALLERY

KAMARIN KENLEY -- PAINTINGS, MONTH OF MARCH, SACKS CAFE

BRIAN ANDREAS -- SCULPTURE AND PAINTINGS, MAR 9- MAR 22, ARTIQUE LTD

ALISSA CRANDALL -- WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY, MONTH OF MARCH, SOUTHCENTRAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

ZOE OAKLEY -- PAINTINGS, MONTH OF MARCH, SOCIATIC TIDE

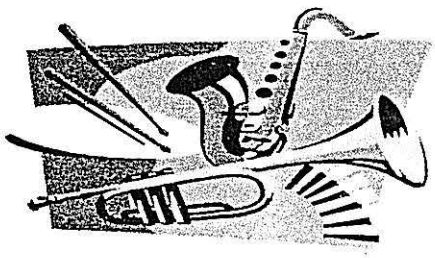
BRIAN BOLDON -- INSTALLATION THROUGH APR 21, ANCHORAGE MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ART

ANCHORAGE LOG CABIN QUILTERS -- TO MAR 17, ANCHORAGE MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ART

SUSAN BEEMAN -- PHOTOGRAPHS, MONTH OF MARCH, CYRANO'S

FAMILY FUN

Fourth Annual Spring Equinox Festival Motherlode Lodge, Palmer March 23, 1pm to midnite $5 (kids free) for more info call 746-1464

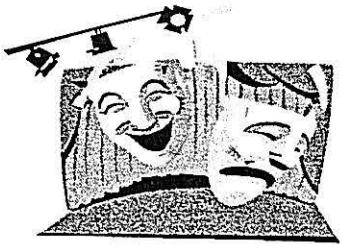


music

Vagabond Blues

Sundays
Open Irish Jam 1:30 no cover
Fridays
15 - John Walsh, Brendon Mahon & Paul MacDonald , 8pm $8
22- Rude Mechanicals 8pm
29 - Joe burke & Ann Conroy, 7pm $8 advance $10 at the door
Saturdays
16 - Dance Brazil Percussionists, 8pm no cover, bring a can of food
23 - Shari Lacy, 8pm, nocover
30 - Mike Cambell, 8pm, $3 cover

Thursdays, fridays, saturdays through the month
Klondike Mikes - Liquid Chicken
Four Corners Bar and Grill - Kidd Country
Wasilla Bar - LA Tricks
Dead Dog Saloon - Ogo Bogo , on 17th will have a wet -shirt contest



THEATER

RACHEL ROSENTHAL - MAR 11, 7:30 PM, LECTURE AND DEMONSTRATION, UAA ARTS BUILDING'S MAINTAGE THEATRE, FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Illness

by Jeanie May

Tomato toes
mask reality;
thoughts disjointed,
mashed-potato-mind.
Heat, sweat,
a cumbersome attempt.
Darkness pervades;
pictures of life
with fuzzy edges
block memory.
Time stands still,
but passes by.

Memory

by Ron Roberson

They say that in life,
We go with the flow.
They say that your
memory,
Is the first thing to . . . .

surrender

by Jeanie May

feelings
of you
on my mind
on my skin
you're in my pores
in my blood
thoughts pervade
my heart entrusted
fear of loss
fear of pain
a heart unburdened
less love to gain

POET'S PLACE

MINE

By Jeanie May

Depths of soul
still untouched;
twisted, turning
loved too much.
A secret maze,
deep dark puzzle;
burning, longing,
fragile pieces.
Of life to live,
Of love surrender.

Midnight-Sun Poetry Contest

The Department of English, UAF is sponsoring the Midnight-Sun Poetry Contest. The contest will offer a prize of $100 for the best poem or group of poems. The prize money is made available by the department.

The contest is open to all graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in the University during the '95-'96 school year, and the prize will be awarded for either a single poem or group of poems (not to exceed a total of three double-spaced typewritten pages). Students attending any of the University of Alaska campuses are eligible to enter.

Entries must be recieved by March 11, 1996 and should be sent to: The Midnight-Sun Poetry Contest, Department of English, P.O. Box 75520, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-5720. Each entry should have a cover sheet on which is indicated the student's name, social security number, and address, as well as the title of the work submitted. This information should <u>not</u> appear on the entries.

Dear Julie,

I may have to drop out of school for medical reasons after the withdrawal date. Do I have any way to get my tuition back? Do I have to pay back my Pell grant and my student loan?

Worried

Dear Worried,

According to Debbie in the Business Office, you have up to one year from the date you registered to file a petition for refund. If you have any student assistance loans or a Pell grant, the money would go to these places first. The Pell grant is a separate situation. Talk to Barb Carney at the Financial Aid Office and follow the policies and procedures outlined in the Course Catalog. Good Luck.

Julie

To Write to "Dear Julie", drop your letter off at the Monitor office, or leave in the blue Monitor box outside the office. "Julie" is a Human Services Major studying paraprofessional counseling.

St. Paddy's Day Lore

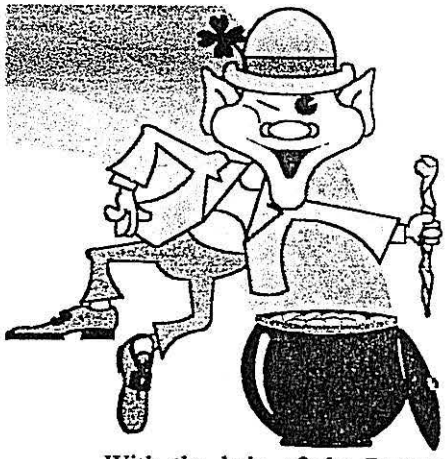
Submitted by Sue Saintmarie

Saint Patrick's Day commemorates the driving of the "snakes" out of Ireland. "Snake" can refer to a slithering reptile or a lying, sneaky human. Before Saint Patrick brought in the Catholic religion, the Druid religion reigned supreme. If someone did not know any better, they may have told people the Druid religion was full of snakes.

The Catholic religion offered Heaven from one life of worship. The Druid religion taught Heaven could be achieved after reincarnating back to Earth numerous times, until a degree of true knowledge was attained in your eternal mind, which helps you to be happier. Between incarnations, we stay in the Astral planes, which is at a higher unseen frequency and of less dense matter. Heaven is beyond the Astral planes. Nicer people get to live in the better Astral planes.

The Catholic religion told people they could be forgiven for bad deeds by praying. The Druid religion held that one could make up for past wrongs by doing good deeds and by helping those you've hurt, either now or in a future life. Otherwise, you may suffer sicknesses in future life incarnations for hurting others during your one eternal life.

The Druid religion used a tree to explain God to people. We are the acorns and young trees, and God is the oldest, largest, wisest tree of all, from which we all sprouted. They also taught that Nature is a part of our being. Our minds extend to nature, and nature becomes a part of our mind, and you can tune in to and mentally feel the beauty of nature.



With the help of the Roman Army, the Roman Catholic religion became more popular, and the truth and knowledge of the Druid religion, and the wise men who were called snakes, left Ireland.

CRISIS AMONG MEN
YOU KNOW BOB, I REALLY LIKE HANGIN' OUT WITH YOU AND ALL... AND I REALLY DIG THE CASUAL PUT-DOWNS AND ONE-UP-MANSHIP... AND IT'S REALLY COOL HOW WE PUNCH EACH OTHER IN THE ARMS AN' STUFF..... BUT I FEEL THERE'S SOMETHING MISSING.
JESUS RAY! GET A HOLD OF YOUR SELF!! YOU'RE TALKIN' LIKE LIKE A CHICK!
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HOW TO TELL IF A WOMAN WANTS IT
SHE TALKS TO YOU.
HEY BABE!... LOOKIN' GOOD!
GO TO HELL.
SHE GIVES YOU HER PHONE NUMBER.
JUST ONE KISS...
CALL 911 CALL 911
SHE POINTS YOU OUT TO HER FRIENDS.
MOI ?
THAT'S THE MAN OFFICER!
SHE SENDS YOU LETTERS.
DUDE! THIS CHICK'S A NYMPHO!
RESTRAINING ORDER
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Down to earth in the bookstore

by Charles Austin

Terry (don't call me Ericka) Whitt is the person most seen when one enters the bookstore. She is responsible for the bookstore during the morning hours, Terry enjoys talking with people and wants everyone to know who she is.

Born and raised in the Mat-Su Valley, Terry is an all-Alaskan woman. She enjoys hunting, fishing, snow machining, horseback riding and sledding. She also wants to learn how to ski and snow board. With a preference for older/classic rock and country music, Terry's favorite songs include Faith Hill's *It Matters to Me* and Credence Clearwater Revival's *Fortunate Son* and *Bad Moon Rising*. Terry's favorite movies include *Sixteen Candles* with Molley Ringwald, and *The Sound of Music*.

Most of all, Terry loves children. Currently studying Spanish and physical therapy, Terry wants to teach Spanish or provide physical therapy to children after she graduates from college. In five years she hopes to be married, have children and be living in a log cabin. Terry would prefer staying home with her future children until they are at least school age. Then she would return to work with other children. Possessing a very patient and gentle temperament, I believe in Terry's many future successes.

Getting to Know You...

The man who does it all.

By Amy Menerey

Have you ever needed something done around this campus? Needed anything fixed, anything taken care of, help, etc.? Then you probably know Eric. Officially, Eric Blomskog is the Physical Plant Manager at Mat-Su College. Unofficially, Eric is "the everything man." "There are no limits to what we do," says Eric, when asked about the duties of him and his employees. Eric oversees all the operations of this campus: security, daily maintenance, building projects and cleaning. He handles the hiring of security personnel and oversees the janitorial contracts. When something goes wrong at MSC, call Eric. This man is prepared! He has every conceivable qualification for his job, from a refrigeration license to CPR certification to an ATC-20 card (which he tells me gets him through roadblocks after earthquakes to assess post-earthquake damage to our beloved buildings).

Eric is a likable guy, friendly and to the point. He likes his job and gets it done. But what don't we know about this guy? And what does he do with the few hours he gets away from this campus? Eric shares a home in the Butte with his girlfriend, Karen, who is a stained glass instructor here at MSC. Eric's "kid" is a black lab by the name of Buddy. When he wants to get away, Eric hunts, fishes, rides his snowmachine, or spends time at his cabin in Glenallen. His knack for fixing things follows him home as well. "I fix everything that breaks on my block," he says.

Eric was born and raised in Seattle, Washington, graduating from Nathan Hale High School, and later from Seattle Central Community College. His stay in Alaska began with a disappointing two-day job in a cannery. While standing in Dutch Harbor trying to decide his future, luck and circumstance graced him with an unusual opportunity. A Washington friend who normally didn't frequent Alaskan waters appeared in the harbor, and soon Eric was commercial crab fishing and building a nestegg that would help him complete college and buy his first home.

After college, Eric came back to Alaska for good.

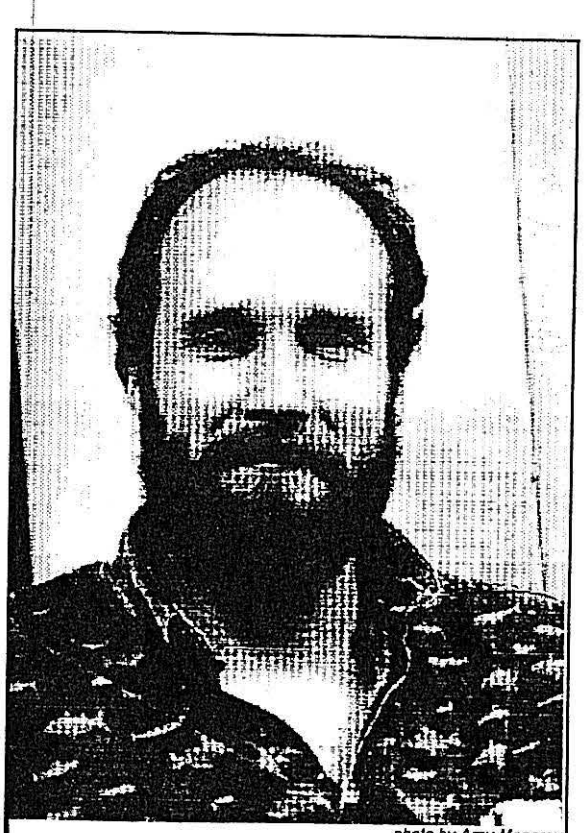

photo by Amy Menerey

Eric Blomskog

He worked at the Hotel Captain Cook and for Nana Marriott at Anchorage International Airport before coming to MSC. He has been here for six years and says he is happy with his job and his location. Word has it that Eric and his staff, with their incredible talent and expertise, have saved Mat-Su College thousands of dollars by doing work themselves rather than having outside contractors come in. Says Eric, "I'd rather keep them high-dollar guys outta here." MSC is very lucky to have this positive, can-do, do-it-all kinda guy in our halls!

Should I attend the Quintet Lecture on Essay Exams
Self-Diagnostic Quiz

QUIZ ON WRITING THE ESSAY EXAM

Directions: Essay exams are often difficult to approach and understand. One of the key skills is reading the question correctly and responding with the appropriate content and methodology. The following quiz may help you to assess your skills. ANSWERS will be given at the LRC's workshop on Monday, Feb. 26, at 12:00 FSM 204.✯

If the essay question asks you to:		You should:
1.	define	give positives and negatives
2.	compare	give points in order
3.	enumerate	cite facts, authorities
4.	analyze	narrate events in chronological order
5.	discuss, explain	condense main points
6.	illustrate	discuss similarities
7.	contrast	discuss differences
8.	criticize	give examples
9.	interpret	give only main points, major divisions
10.	justify	draw conclusions on meaning
11.	outline	give word meanings within a context
12.	prove	break the whole into parts to understand
13.	summarize	explore the topic thoroughly
14.	trace, chronicle, history	give your evidence and reasoning
15.	describe	review what seen, heard, felt

✯ *Answers are provided on the English Department bulletin board between Fallon and Mishler's offices. Check for the Quintet series discussion schedule on page 12.*

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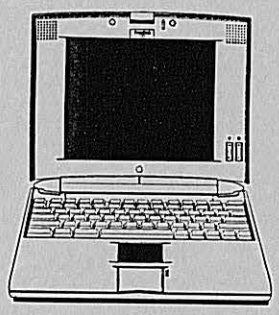

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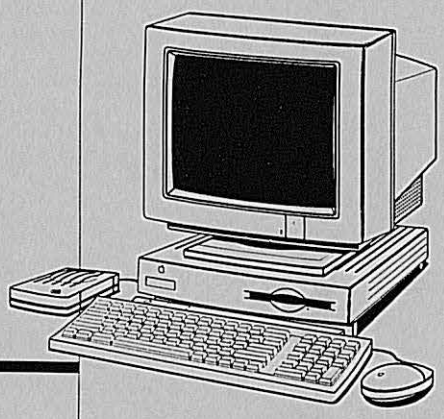

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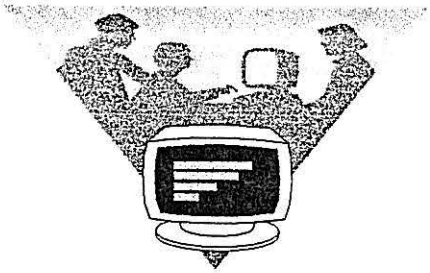

So you want to play with the computer...

by Theron Bair

So, you've got an account on this new computer and want to know all the cool things you can do with it. Well, how much you can do is directly proportional to how much you know about other computers; if you can navigate around easily on other platforms, you can do better here than if it's the first computer you've played with. (For those who missed the first one, "the computer" refers to Ackphft, Mat-Su College's only Unix machine.) For completeness and reference, we'll also touch on how to use the Orion Vax system.

There are a few basic commands that are essential for any computer. For multi-user systems, knowing how to log on, log off, and change your password is essential. For all systems, knowing how to copy, delete, move (rename), list, and view the contents of files is important. We'll start with the file commands; your account or computer isn't much good to you if you can't see what's on it.

To see a list of files in the current directory in Unix, you use the "ls" command. It has plenty of options, which we'll go into, but without any, it produces a listing like this:

ackphft:/$ ls
bin, boot, dev, etc, home, lib, lost+found, mnt, proc, pub, root, sbin, tmp, usr, var, zImage

This command is similar to the VMS and MS-DOS "dir" commands. (I won't show their output here.)

As an aside, note that options in Unix are denoted by dashes, like -a, and the slashes between directories are '/', unlike MS-DOS's '/' for options and'\' for directories. But I digress.

To get a long listing of the directory, use the -l option after ls, like this:

```
ackphft:/$ ls -l          total 390
drwxr-xr-x  2 root     bin          2048 Feb 17
09:06 bin
drwxr-xr-x  2 root     root         1024 Oct 19
20:27 boot
drwxr-xr-x  2 root     root         9216 Mar 6
08:31 dev
drwxr-xr-x  9 root     root         2048 Mar 6
08:31 etc
drwxr-xr-x  3 root     root         1024 Sep 23
09:23 home
drwxr-xr-x  3 root     root         1024 Sep 23
09:37 lib
drwx------  2 root     root         1024 Mar 2
11:40 lost+found
drwxr-xr-x  2 root     root         1024 Mar 16
1994 mnt
dr-xr-xr-x  4 root     root            0 Mar 5
23:31 proc
lrwxrwxrwx             1 root     root           13
Oct 19 20:35 pub-> /usr/usr1/pub
drwxr-x-x  10 root     root         1024 Feb 29
19:08 root
drwxr-xr-x  2 root     bin          2048 Feb 8
19:39 sbin
lrwxrwxrwx             1 root     root           13
Sep 29 19:13 tmp-> /usr/usr1/tmp
drwxr-xr-x 20 root     root         1024 Sep 25
18:01 usr
drwxr-xr-x 20 root     root         1024 Feb 8
19:02 var
-rw-r--r--  1 root     root       371716 Oct 19 20:22
zImage
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You may be wondering what those lines of characters mean in the front. Well, in order to keep everyone from looking in everyone else's files in a multi-user system, there has to be some sort of means by which the system can know how each person wants their files to be able to read. For this Unix system, it works like this: 1 333 -rwxr-xr-x 222 444

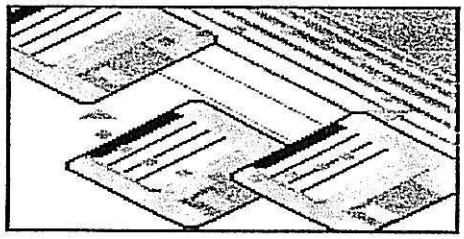
1. The "-" denotes that this is an ordinary file. If it were a directory, this would be a "d". There are several different characters that can appear here, each one denoting a different special file, but an in-depth discussion is beyond our current scope.
2. This group of three characters "rwx", denotes the protections that the user has set for himself. "r" denotes that this file is readable by the user, "w" denotes that he can write to the file, and "x" shows that he can execute it. Why would the user need to set protections for himself, you wonder? In order to delete or overwrite a file, he must have write access to it, so if the "w" in this position weren't set, he would have some protection against this error. In addition, if the file were executable, if he tried to execute it, it could cause some problems; if it weren't an executable file, he could simply remove the "x" flag and it wouldn't allow him to run it.
3. This group,"r-x", denotes the access that other members of the user's group have to the file. This is a bit of a discussion in itself, and we won't go into it here.
4. The second group of, "r-x", denotes the access that all others besides the user or those in the user's group have to the file. These are the same as in (3) above except here they apply to everyone else on the system. Ordinarily, unless you want the contents of this file to be shown to everyone, these should be "---".

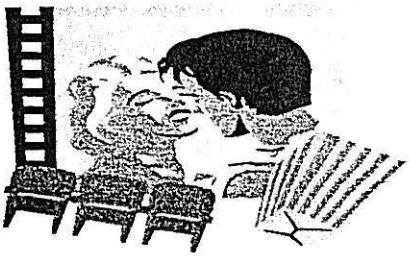
Unix also has some files that are ordinarily hidden from the user. These files are generally used to store information about certain program setups, user preferences, etc. These files all begin with a dot ".". To see these files, use the "-a" option after "ls", like so:

```
ackphft:~$ ls -a
#article2.txt#  .lesssrc          article2.txt
..              netscape/         c/
./              .profile          movemail*
.Xdefaults      .saves-122-death  movemail-src/
Xmodmap         .seyon/           moz2_0.zip
>Xstuff         .term/            nls/
.bash_history   .xinitrc          nsv20-1486.tgz*
.config         .xvpics/          nsv20-1486.tgz.old
.dialdir        LICENSE           ppp-login@
.doomrc         Netscape.ad       tmp/
.kermrc         README
.less           XKeysymDB
```

This allows you to see all the files in your directory.

Although there are more options to be covered, the paper has only a finite amount of space; hence, it must end here for the day...A few parting words though; in Unix, help is "man <topic>" at the prompt; to look for key words in help topics, use "apropos <key word>", to log out, use "exit", and to play with the Unix box, talk to me (Theron Bair, aka sdeath@ackphft.matsu.alaska.edu, working this semester, Thursday 5-10, Friday 3-8, and Saturday 9-5, in the lab).





At the Movies, or rather, Concert

by Joan Tower

February 16, I became a fan of Air Supply. Preceded by America, who played all their old standards, Air Supply lit up the stage. The band members' voices rang out clear and true. I only recognized a few songs, but that didn't matter. Their new material emanated from a combination of piano, cello, drums and acoustic guitars. Even from a side seat in the Cabaret section at the Egan Center, the sound was good, and the light show was well done. The audience was mainly the over-35 crowd, but my son and daughter-in-law, both in their early twenties, generously accompanied Mom to the concert and were as impressed as I. Air Supply has a new album coming out this summer; I'm looking forward to hearing it.

Answers to Brain Teasers from page 3

1) Sandbox
2) Man overboard
3) I understand
4) Reading between the lines
5) Long underwear
6) Crossroads
7) Downtown
8) Tricycle
9) Bi-level
10) Degrees below zero

Quintet Series Schedule

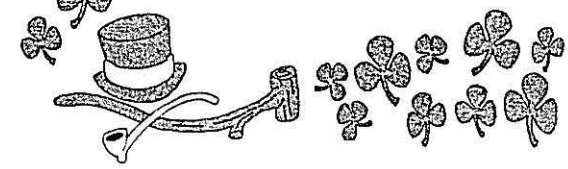
March 18
Barbara Mishler - Women's Studies

April 1
Will Miles - Rational-Emotive Therapy Techniques

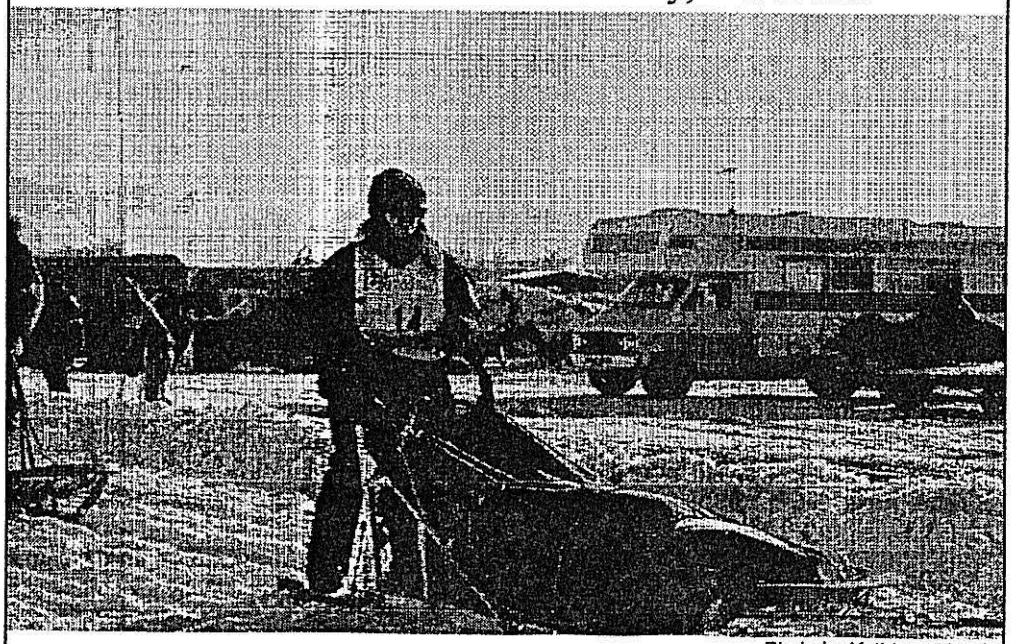
April 8
Leza Madsen & Panel - Is the Book Dead?

April 22
Bill Butler - Issues in Education

See Viola Harrison for more information on series topics or speakers. Time and place will be posted.



Lori Townsend, an Iditarod rookie, waits in anticipation for the re-start in Wasilla on Sunday, March 3rd.



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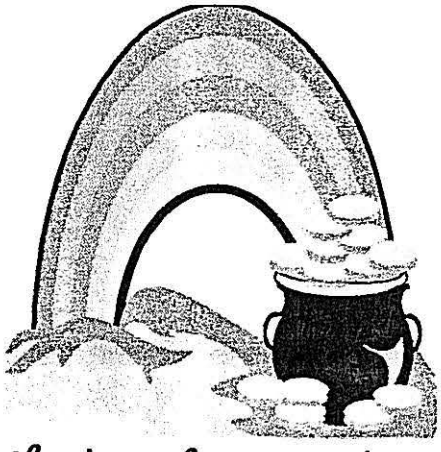

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The Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for the evening of May 10. Associate Degree students, we will be contacting you soon. Baccalaureate Degree students are welcome to march with the MSC grads, as well as in their official ceremony in Anchorage. See a counselor for more information.

If you are wondering what your GPA is for graduation...PLEASE contact Admissions and Records BEFORE graduation.

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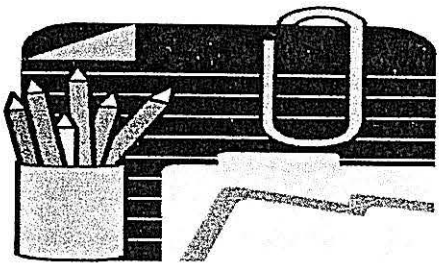

New Classes for Spring

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CIOS 117A - Electronic Research Methods
CIOS 213A - Advanced MS-DOS

Check with registration for times and dates.

TIDBITS

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wes Van Loon
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and to anyone else born this lovely month of March!

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What did YOU do over Spring Break?

(An Internet Survey)

Kathy Vongunten - "I have been trying to do my research paper for the computer course I'm taking, but first I had to help my 10th grade son with his science research paper. He is doing one on the effects of caffeine on blood pressure and pulse and has 10 guinea pigs (humans) that are going to drive their parents crazy over spring break because he is having them drink Mountain Dew, hot chocolate, Jolt, etc.! I am having a bawl surfing the internet in betweeen enjoying the sunshine - - spring is in the air."

Stacey Hunter - "Well, I work in Dr. Chang's office and am spending my break working there! Other than that, my break's being spent on the tons of homework my teacher's have assigned to be done!"

Kathleen Murphy - "I have been doing homework, running around, taking pictures, going to the Iditarod and playing 'ketchup'! I stayed in my P.J.'s 'til three in the afternoon."

David Mason, "The Dark One" - "Well, my spring break I helped a friend throw a party for his 5-year-old. I fixed my snow machine and rode it around, and I plan to catch up on all my homework..."

From PSKLC - "On spring break, all I did was sleep and party with my friends. Each night was a huge party!!!"

D.J. Friedline - "I played MUDD and got stuck twice in one day trying to help a friend."

Frank H. Smith - "Basicly I caught up on my homework over spring break, and repaired my '79 Omni. Well, gotta go back to work!"

Peggy Farnes - "Over spring break I worked. And worked. And worked. And when I wasn't working (at night), I slept the sleep of the dead. I suffered. IT SUCKED!!! Anyway, I hope your spring break was good."

COLLEGE LIFE
By Chris Farrar
"WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS ISSUE BURT?
"THIS WASN'T COVERED IN THE TEXT.
I KNOW... I'M ASKING WHAT YOU THI...
I CAN'T FIND IT IN MY NOTES.. DID YOU COVER IT IN LECTURE?
NO.. I'M SIMPLY ASKING FOR YOUR OPINION!!
"HOW SHOULD I KNOW?? IT WASN'T COVERED IN CLASS!!
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